CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: VID_20170121_205416

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1700673.014

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not stated

Country of origin: Aotearoa New Zealand

Language: English

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 13 March 2018

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 13 March 2018

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	VID_20170121_205416	0:59
Total running time:		0:59

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is of a young girl. While it does not depict nudity or sexual activity, the way the video focuses on her sexualises her body in an exploitative manner. The video at least tends to promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and is therefore deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications which fall under s3(2)(a) be deemed to be objectionable and reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.